

**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**BUSINESS RESOURCES DIVISION**  
**BIG SKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND**  
**PRIMARY SECTOR WORKFORCE TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM**

**WEEKLY WAGE SHEET: EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2010**

**Montana Average Wage by County**  
**2009 Annual Average: All Industries**

<b>County</b>	<b>Annual Wage</b>	<b>Weekly Wage</b>	<b>Hourly Wage</b>
BEAVERHEAD COUNTY	\$ 29,640	\$ 570	\$ 14.25
BIG HORN COUNTY	\$ 34,476	\$ 663	\$ 16.58
BLAINE COUNTY	\$ 31,824	\$ 612	\$ 15.30
BROADWATER COUNTY	\$ 28,392	\$ 546	\$ 13.65
CARBON COUNTY	\$ 26,104	\$ 502	\$ 12.55
CARTER COUNTY	\$ 21,580	\$ 415	\$ 10.38
CASCADE COUNTY	\$ 32,760	\$ 630	\$ 15.75
CHOUTEAU COUNTY	\$ 25,584	\$ 492	\$ 12.30
CUSTER COUNTY	\$ 29,120	\$ 560	\$ 14.00
DANIELS COUNTY	\$ 28,912	\$ 556	\$ 13.90
DAWSON COUNTY	\$ 30,420	\$ 585	\$ 14.63
DEER LODGE COUNTY	\$ 28,548	\$ 549	\$ 13.73
FALLON COUNTY	\$ 45,136	\$ 868	\$ 21.70
FERGUS COUNTY	\$ 29,172	\$ 561	\$ 14.03
FLATHEAD COUNTY	\$ 32,188	\$ 619	\$ 15.48
GALLATIN COUNTY	\$ 33,228	\$ 639	\$ 15.98
GARFIELD COUNTY	\$ 19,032	\$ 366	\$ 9.15
GLACIER COUNTY	\$ 32,240	\$ 620	\$ 15.50
GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY	\$ 24,284	\$ 467	\$ 11.68
GRANITE COUNTY	\$ 25,376	\$ 488	\$ 12.20
HILL COUNTY	\$ 30,368	\$ 584	\$ 14.60
JEFFERSON COUNTY	\$ 31,824	\$ 612	\$ 15.30
JUDITH BASIN COUNTY	\$ 23,868	\$ 459	\$ 11.48
LAKE COUNTY	\$ 29,848	\$ 574	\$ 14.35
LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY	\$ 37,804	\$ 727	\$ 18.18
LIBERTY COUNTY	\$ 24,180	\$ 465	\$ 11.63
LINCOLN COUNTY	\$ 30,316	\$ 583	\$ 14.58
MADISON COUNTY	\$ 29,224	\$ 562	\$ 14.05
MCCONE COUNTY	\$ 27,196	\$ 523	\$ 13.08
MEAGHER COUNTY	\$ 23,556	\$ 453	\$ 11.33
MINERAL COUNTY	\$ 23,244	\$ 447	\$ 11.18
MISSOULA COUNTY	\$ 33,852	\$ 651	\$ 16.28
MUSSELSHELL COUNTY	\$ 32,500	\$ 625	\$ 15.63
PARK COUNTY	\$ 28,132	\$ 541	\$ 13.53
PETROLEUM COUNTY	\$ 18,460	\$ 355	\$ 8.88
PHILLIPS COUNTY	\$ 27,404	\$ 527	\$ 13.18
PONDERA COUNTY	\$ 28,132	\$ 541	\$ 13.53
POWDER RIVER COUNTY	\$ 21,580	\$ 415	\$ 10.38
POWELL COUNTY	\$ 32,760	\$ 630	\$ 15.75
PRAIRIE COUNTY	\$ 27,560	\$ 530	\$ 13.25
RAVALLI COUNTY	\$ 29,120	\$ 560	\$ 14.00
RICHLAND COUNTY	\$ 36,088	\$ 694	\$ 17.35
ROOSEVELT COUNTY	\$ 29,484	\$ 567	\$ 14.18
ROSEBUD COUNTY	\$ 40,664	\$ 782	\$ 19.55
SANDERS COUNTY	\$ 26,052	\$ 501	\$ 12.53
SHERIDAN COUNTY	\$ 27,612	\$ 531	\$ 13.28
SILVER BOW COUNTY	\$ 35,568	\$ 684	\$ 17.10
STILLWATER COUNTY	\$ 43,992	\$ 846	\$ 21.15
SWEET GRASS COUNTY	\$ 36,140	\$ 695	\$ 17.38
TETON COUNTY	\$ 28,444	\$ 547	\$ 13.68
TOOLE COUNTY	\$ 33,488	\$ 644	\$ 16.10
TREASURE COUNTY	\$ 23,036	\$ 443	\$ 11.08
VALLEY COUNTY	\$ 29,224	\$ 562	\$ 14.05
WHEATLAND COUNTY	\$ 24,128	\$ 464	\$ 11.60
WIBAUX COUNTY	\$ 24,544	\$ 472	\$ 11.80
YELLOWSTONE COUNTY	\$ 37,024	\$ 712	\$ 17.80
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<b>STATE AVERAGE</b>	<b>\$ 33,748</b>	<b>\$ 649</b>	<b>\$ 16.23</b>

Data Source: Montana Department of Labor; Research & Analysis Bureau

QCEW Data Calculations: Montana Department of Commerce; Business Resources Division

The average annual wage is calculated by dividing total wages paid by all covered employers as reported on Unemployment Insurance (UI) Contribution reports by the average monthly number of individuals employed as reported on such contribution reports.

The average weekly wage multiplied by 52, rounded to the nearest dollar, is the annual wage. This average weekly wage is produced by state statute to determine the maximum and minimum benefit amounts for unemployment insurance benefits. It is also used to determine the maximum benefit amount for workers' compensation benefits. The average weekly wage divided by 40, rounded to the nearest cent, is the average hourly wage.

Industry employment and wage data is collected through the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program. The primary source for the QCEW are the reports submitted by employers to the Montana Unemployment Insurance program. Total wages include gross wages and salaries, bonuses, profit sharing, commissions, severance pay, and limited tips.